

**City of San Diego**  
**Sustainable Energy Advisory Board (SEAB)**  
**July 13, 2017**  
**Meeting No. 133**

**MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jason Anderson – Business Community  
Tom Brill – SDG&E  
Julia Brown (Chair) – At Large Member  
Hanna Grene – CSE (Regional Energy)  
Sean Karafin – At Large Member

Douglas Kot (Vice Chair) – Building Industry  
Andrew McKercher – Labor Organization  
Jay Powell – Environmental Advocate  
Eddie Price – At Large Member Alternate #1  
Eric Scheidlinger – At Large Member Alt. #2

**I. Call to Order**

Julia Brown called meeting #133 to order at 10:02 A.M.

**II. Introductions**

Public introductions.

**III. Announcements**

**IV. Non-Agenda Public Comment**

Lawrence Emerson spoke about electric vehicles and the City of San Diego's use of electric vehicles in its fleet.

Pete Beauregard spoke about green home manufacturing.

**V. Action Items**

1. Approval of Agenda and Adoption of Minutes

*\*MOTION\* Jay Powell made motion to adopt minutes from meeting #132 and approve agenda of meeting #133. Douglas Kot seconded. Julia Brown and Hanna Grene abstained since not present. Motion passed 6-0-2.*

2. Approval of Letter for SEAB Report to Environmental Committee

*\*MOTION\* Eddie Price made motion to approve the letter for SEAB Report to Environmental Committee with amendments made by Tom Brill. Jason Anderson seconded. Jay Powell abstained due to not being able to review the amendments made after the final marked up draft copy was distributed. Motion passed 7-0-1.*

**VI. Informational Items**

1. Climate Action Plan Update

No updates.

## 2. Legislative, Regulatory, and City Updates

Fritz Ortlieb, Deputy City Attorney (City of San Diego) discussed the tentative decision from the General Rate Case of SDG&E Phase II. Decision was generally favorable toward existing solar customers, grandfathering in time of use periods that previously prevailed. This decision will change time of use periods as per SDG&E's request for other customers.

The City of San Diego is awaiting a decision from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) for Intelligent City Smart Street Light Program. CPUC is determining the methodology for the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA) regarding exit fees for Community Choice Aggregations.

Jay Powell inquired about difficulty accessing the SEAB website from the "SD Sustainability" web page and button for Energy Sustainability. Staff indicated that this was being addressed.

## 3. Introductory Presentation on to 100% Renewable Energy by 2035: Community Choice Aggregation Feasibility Study

Cody Hooven, Chief Sustainability Officer (City of San Diego) provided a brief background of the Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) Feasibility Study and announced that the document was released on July 12, 2017 by the City of San Diego. She stated that the presentation was to provide a high-level overview to the Board and the public. She recognized key City of San Diego staff members whom contributed to the study including Ashley Rosia, Senior Planner; Aaron Lu, Program Coordinator; and Jack Clark, Deputy Director.

Jack Clark continued the presentation with a broad overview of the timeline for 100% renewable energy and defined what a CCA is and why it is such an important part of sustainable energy for the future. The RFSQ will be closing at the end of July.

Lisa Vedder of Willdan Financial Services joined remotely. She introduced herself as the consultant for the City of San Diego's CCA Feasibility Study. She provided details about the research efforts and analysis conducted to put together the study. She also illustrated several scenarios of the CCA and the results of the analysis for each scenario. She explained costs associated with the program as well as competitive rates and economic considerations. She concluded the presentation with potential risks as well as benefits of a CCA.

Julia Brown opened the forum for public comment and requested that comments be limited to one (1) minute each due to the volume of requests to speak submitted.

Twenty-one public comments were received.

Robert Sheperd

William Benson

Gerald Brown, United African American Ministerial Action Council

Elaine Maltz, San Diego Sierra Club:

Mikey Knab, the Main Street Alliance

Alicia Race, San Diego Climate Action Campaign

Mark Hughes

Raejean Fellows, President of Electric Vehicle Association (San Diego)  
Joyce Lane, San Diego 350.org  
Tyson Siegele  
Dr. Bruce Bekkar  
Hang Hong, San Diego County Taxpayers Association  
Michael Leonard  
Rick Bramhall.  
Emily Little & Adam Junod, Surfrider Foundation  
Lawrence Emerson, Electric Vehicle Association  
Mary Lou Finley  
Gigi Garcia and Tara Kelley, Sullivan Solar Power  
Ty Tosdal

Julia Brown thanked everyone for his or her comments. She then opened the discussion to the Board.

Hanna Grene asked that Board members take time to read and review the CCA in its entirety.

Jason Anderson asked about the timetables and the 100% renewable energy rates presented. Lisa Vedder responded. Jack Clark provided additional details of timeline. Board members discussed.

Andrew McKercher inquired about local labor and construction jobs related to prevailing wages for the build process of renewable energy resources. Lisa Vedder and Cody Hooven responded. Board members discussed.

Julia Brown raised the question of the impact of other CCA studies and asked if those might serve as pilot programs to follow for the City of San Diego. Lisa Vedder responded.

Sean Karafin asked about the Executive Summary 4 table regarding tiered rate structures. Lisa Vedder responded.

Jay Powell asked if there was a way for Board members and the public to formally submit questions/comments about the CCA Feasibility Study to address at future meetings. City of San Diego staff will be taking questions/comments up through the end of November.

Board members discussed other concerns of the CCA Feasibility Study and next steps with Lisa Vedder and City Staff.

Board questions/comments can be submitted to Aaron Lu, Program Coordinator (City of San Diego) for City of San Diego Staff and consultant review and response at future meetings.

Public comments can be sent to [sustainability@sandiego.gov](mailto:sustainability@sandiego.gov).

4. Letter Requesting CPUC En Banc (taken out of order)

Letter recommending that Mayor and City Council request CPUC En Banc hearing in San Diego was discussed amongst Board members. Julia Brown read aloud prior meeting minutes (of meeting #132) regarding an action motion of sending this letter. Fritz Ortlieb, Deputy City Attorney confirmed prior motion action was valid and since the letter drafted by the Chair presented at this meeting conformed to that action, the letter could be sent as previously voted upon. The Board agreed that the letter will be sent.

5. New Business (taken out of order)

No new business.

6. Suggested guests/presentations/tours for future meetings
- a. Continue Community Choice Aggregation Discussion
  - b. Sempra Services Corporation Presentation on Community Choice
  - c. Climate Action Campaign Presentation on Community Choice

Hanna Grene suggested that the Board add economic development as discussed by Ty Tosdal as a future item under the “Suggested guests/presentations/tours for future meetings” section of the agenda. Julia Brown confirmed the addition of this content.

City Staff to address/respond to questions/comments raised by Board members and/or the general public at future meetings.

**VII. Adjourn**

Julia Brown adjourned meeting at 12:05 P.M.

**Note: An audio recording of this meeting is available upon request.**